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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

BANK EMPLOYEE CHARGED WITH EMBEZZLEMENT

PRESS RELEASE

Susan W. Brooks, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that LISA J. STEVENS, 37, of Petersburg, Indiana, was charged today with embezzlement by a bank employee, following an investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

The Information alleges that STEVENS, between May 1, 2002 and August 8, 2003, embezzled approximately \$70,000 from the Washington, Indiana, branch of Peoples Bank. STEVENS was an employee of the bank during this time period.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Todd S. Shellenbarger, who is prosecuting the case for the government, STEVENS faces a maximum possible prison sentence

of 30 years and a maximum possible fine of \$1,000,000. An initial hearing will be scheduled before a U. S. Magistrate Judge in Evansville.

The information is an allegation only, and the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty at trial or by guilty plea.

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